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SUBJECT: CHILEAN DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS

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1. CHILEAN AMBASSADOR MANUEL TELLO TRONCOSO SOMEWHAT EMOTIONALLY TOLD ME AT MEXICAN NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION LAST SUNDAY THAT HE COULD NOT IN GOOD CONSCIENCE SERVE THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF CHILE AND THAT HE HAD SUBMITTED HIS RESIGNATION AS AMBASSADOR TO GUATEMALA AND REQUESTED RETIREMENT. HE SAID THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A RESPONSE FROM SANTIAGO TEMPORARILY REJECTING HIS RESIGNATION AND ORDERING HIM TO REMAIN AT POST AND CONTINUE TO PERFORM HIS DUTIES UNTIL HE RECEIVED FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. TELLO SAID HE WAS RELUCTANTLY COMPLYING WITH THE ORDER, BECAUSE NOT TO DO SO WOULD CONSTITUTE ABANDONING HIS POST WHICH COULD LEAD TO CRIMINAL ACTION AGAINST HIM IN CHILE AND WOULD JEOPARDIZE HIS RETIREMENT PENSION. TELLO, OF COURSE, CANCELLED THE CHILEAN NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION WHICH HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY. WE HAVE NO REACTION FROM CHILEAN COUNSELOR ENRIQUE GOMEZ CORREA, THE ONLY OTHER DIPLOMATIC OFFICER IN THE CHILEAN MISSION HERE.

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